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1. British to grant Polish overflight of Germany -- US Embassy (14-5)
 Brussels has learned from the British Embassy that the UK is willing to grant the Polish airline the right to overfly UK Zone Germany, in connection with the setting up of a Warsaw-Brussels air service, provided such services are truly reciprocal and a Belgian airline can begin simultaneous operations. The British Embassy, which has been authorized to inform the Belgian Government of this view, indicated that it had previously raised with the UK Foreign Office the question of the advisability of proceeding unilaterally with the Belgians, thus breaking the US-UK common front on Satellite aviation policy. Ambassador Kirk adds his opinion that until basic agreement has been reached with the UK on an interpretation of the common Satellite aviation policy, the US probably cannot influence Belgian and western European air policy.

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